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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (previously presented): An interlabial pad for absorbing body fluid having an

elongated shape comprising:

a face adapted to face a body:

an opposite face adapted to face a garment;

a cavity for finger insertion formed along a longitudinal direction on the opposite face: a cavity opening for guiding a fingertip inserted therein to the remainder of the cavity at one

end of the cavity; and

a mini-sheet which covers a portion of the opposite face across one lateral side to another

lateral side of the interlabial pad and also having a length in the longitudinal direction on the

opposite face.

wherein the cavity has a finger restriction portion for the finger insertion adapted to stop a

finger at a position corresponding to a position of a vagina of a wearer, the cavity being formed in

between the opposite face and the mini-sheet piece.

wherein the finger restriction portion is formed with the opposite face that is folded to have

two portions of the opposite face facing each other, at least a part of each of the two portions being

bonded to each other at another end of the cavity in the longitudinal direction.

wherein the mini-sheet covers a part of the opposite face that includes the another end of the

cavity at which the two portions of the opposite face are bonded to each other, and

wherein a cross-sectional area of the cavity is gradually narrowed in a direction of the

another end of the cavity such that the finger of the wearer that is inserted can be stopped.

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Claims 2-5 (canceled),

Claim 6 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein an

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interval dimension between the opening for finger insertion and said finger restriction portion is

10% to 80% of a length in the longitudinal direction of the opposite face.

Claim 7 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, further comprising

a front end,

wherein the cavity opening is disposed at a location that is 40% from the front end of the

interlabial pad, and

wherein said finger restriction portion is disposed at a location that is 90% from the front

end of the interlabial pad.

Claim 8 (withdrawn): The interlabial pad of claim 1, wherein said finger insertion

restriction portion comprises a fingertip exit for protruding the nail tip of the inserted finger.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said

finger restriction portion is disposed at a predetermined distance from one longitudinal end towards

the center of the interlabial pad on the opposite face.

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Claim 10 (withdrawn): The interlabial pad of claim 1, wherein said finger insertion cavity

comprises a finger insertion compulsory portion for tilting compulsorily the finger insertion

direction toward said finger insertion restriction portion on the opposite side face to body.

Claim 11 (withdrawn): The interlabial pad of claim 10, wherein said finger insertion

compulsory portion is formed by a shape of folding said mini sheet piece into said finger insertion

cavity.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein the

interlabial pad is used together with a sanitary napkin.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said

interlabial pad is for incontinence.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said

interlabial pad is for absorbing vaginal discharge.

Claim 15 (withdrawn): A wrapping body comprising an interlabial pad; and

a wrapping container containing said interlabial pad, wherein said interlabial pad is

contained and folded such that said finger insertion opening opens when said wrapping container is

unwrapped.

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Claim 16 (withdrawn): The wrapping body of claim 15, wherein said wrapping container

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comprises a mark indicating an unwrapping direction which is the same direction as an insertion

direction of the finger into said finger insertion opening.

Claim 17 (withdrawn): The wrapping body of claim 16, wherein said mini sheet piece in

said interlabial pad is folded outwardly in a shape swelling toward the body side.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein a length

of the mini sheet piece is between 50% and 80% of a longitudinal length of the interlabial pad.

Claim 19 (withdrawn): The interlabial pad according to claim 1,

wherein the interlabial pad is formed with adhesion on a part of the face adapted to face a

body to be in contact with a genital area of the body.

Claim 20 (withdrawn): The interlabial pad according to claim 1,

wherein the mini-sheet is formed as a water permeable sheet.

Claim 21 (currently amended): The interlabial pad according to claim 1,

wherein the mini-sheet is attached so as to be in direct contact with the opposite face except

for a portion of the cavity, and the mini-sheet is arranged at a side of the another end of the cavity,

being opposite to the cavity opening.

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Claim 22 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1,

wherein the mini-sheet is bonded to the opposite face at the lateral sides and at the side of

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the another end of the cavity.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 22, further

comprising:

a first portion for bonding the opposite face to the face adapted to face the body; and

a second portion for bonding the mini-sheet to the opposite face,

wherein the first portion and the second portion are offset.